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Chairman Julius Genachowski and Commissioners
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street SW
Washington, DC 20544
Re: WT Docket 11-65

Dear Chairman Genachowski and Commissioners:

Please consider this letter my endorsement of the proposed merger between AT&T and T-Mobile. As the state senator for a vast area of rural Alaska, I serve numerous constituents who are currently unable to access mobile broadband technology. It is my understanding that as part of the propose merger, AT&T plans to greatly expand its mobile broadband footprint throughout our state, increasing the availability of this technology to many of our rural communities.

With the enormous increase in the use of cellular phones, smart phones, tablet computers and other devices in recent years, it has become important for our citizens to gain access to reliable broadband services. I applaud AT&T for taking this step in Alaska, and urge your support for its merger with T-Mobile.

Thank you for your consideration of this letter.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be "G. Stevens", written over the printed name.

Senator Gary Stevens
President of the Senate